

REMARKS/ARGUMENTS

In response to the Final Office Action mailed May 18, 2010, Applicant proposes to amend his application and requests reconsideration in view of the proposed amendments and the following remarks. In this response, Claim 19 is proposed to be amended, no claims have been cancelled without prejudice, and no claims have been added so that Claims 19-35 remain pending. No new matter has been added.

Claims 19-22 and 24 were rejected under 35 USC 112, first paragraph. Applicants have amended the claims to more clearly and distinctly set forth the invention. The language of the specification is utilized. Accordingly, reconsideration and withdrawal of the rejection is respectfully requested.

Claims 19-21 and 24 were rejected 35 USC 112, second paragraph. Applicant has amended to more clearly set forth the invention by amending the claim to indicate that the base coat comprises the drug, antioxidant and the polymer and that there is a separate top coat. Accordingly, reconsideration and withdrawal of the rejection is respectfully requested.

A favorable action on the merits is earnestly solicited.

Respectfully submitted,

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